

**FREMONT BOARD OF SELECTMEN****16 JUNE 2005****APPROVED 06/23/2005**

At 6:10 pm Chairman Cordes called the meeting to order. Present were Selectmen Gene Cordes, Donald Gates Jr, and Peter Bolduc; and Town Administrator Heidi Carlson.

Selectmen read through the agenda for the evening.

**OLD BUSINESS**

1. Selectmen reviewed the minutes for 09 June 2005. Two typographical corrections were made on page one and four. Motion was made by Gates and seconded by Bolduc to approve them as amended. The vote was unanimously approved 3-0.

2. Selectmen discussed the status of OHRV permission. This included beginning to generate a list of items to be discussed for a policy, which the Board would like to have reviewed by the Police Chief and Conservation Commission. Selectmen felt that permission to use town property needed to be reviewed on a case by case basis and needed to look at a variety of areas.

A draft of preliminary information was incorporated to memo format and sent to Chief Janvrin for review and comment.

3. Selectmen signed outgoing correspondence.

4. Carlson further updated the Board of the status of Jeanne Nygren as the new clerical assistant in the Selectmen's Office.

5. Selectmen reviewed and signed a letter to Comcast regarding the cable contract renegotiations.

6. Selectmen discussed ongoing ballfield improvements, including some additional loaming and seeding that needs to be done. Carlson advised that Dick Rand and Leon Holmes Jr were working on this.

At 7:00 pm during department session Deputy Fire Chief Richard Butler was present. Butler discussed with the Board the study committee. Selectmen explained that they were collecting names from department heads (expected in this evening). The Board is looking for this committee to look at the pros and cons of having two separate departments versus one combined department. The Selectmen want the study group to come back to them with a collection of recommendations and information. This might include transitional issues, financial issues, space matters, training, leadership, etc.

Selectmen feel that there could be the potential that a warrant article vote would be put before the voters if the method of organization was to change.

There was discussion about the upcoming bid opening for the 1961 GMC truck. Chief Heselton had indicated earlier in the day that he would like to see a minimum amount for the truck, indicating \$4,000 was a good number. The Board and Butler felt they should see what happened at the bid opening.

Selectmen got an update from Butler on the status of the new truck order.

At 7:30 pm Selectmen moved to the main hall for the bid opening on the 2000 Ford Crown Victoria former police cruiser and the 1961 GMC fire truck. Present were the three Selectmen, Carlson, Butler, and guests Kenneth LeColst and William Clough from the Middleton MA Fire Department.

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Chairman Cordes opened all of the bids (which were all received by the due date of 4:00 pm on June 16, 2005) with the following results, each one read aloud:

**2000 Ford Crown Victoria:**

Government Cars Distribution Center	\$2,187.00
Les Hammond	\$1,200.00
Jersey One Auto Sales	\$1,920.00
Tri-State Auto Brokers	\$1,283.00

**1961 GMC Fire Truck:**

Les Hammond	\$800.00
Kenneth LeColst	\$1,950.19
Tri-State Auto Brokers	\$953.00

There was discussion with Clough and LeColst about their plans to keep the fire truck as a parade piece, along with others they have acquired. They want to keep as much fire equipment with the truck as possible, and would like to keep the Fremont name on the truck.

With all information presented, Bolduc moved to dispose of the 1961 GMC for sale to Kenneth LeColst of Middleton MA for the sum of \$1,950.19; and the 2000 Ford Crown Victoria to Government Cars Distribution Center for the sum of \$2,187.00. Both vehicles are to be removed from Town property no later than June 30, 2005. Gates seconded the motion and the vote was unanimously in favor 3-0.

Clough and LeColst went to the Fire Station with Butler to further review the truck.

At 8:25 pm motion was made by Bolduc and seconded by Gates to enter non-public session to discuss a legal matter pursuant to NH RSA 91-A 3 II (e). The vote was unanimously approved 3-0.

At 9:00 pm Selectmen returned to public session on a motion from Gates and second from Bolduc. Board members will sign a letter to the NH Attorney General's office on Monday following review by Town Counsel.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. Selectmen reviewed and approved the payroll \$16,393.10 and vendor \$451,282.25 manifests. Two copies of each were signed.
2. Selectmen reviewed the folder of incoming correspondence.
3. Selectmen signed a line of credit application for Citizen's Bank in the amount of \$2,500,000. This has been processed by the Treasurer and reviewed by Town Counsel as required.
4. Selectmen signed Memorial Day letters to Joshua Cooley, Frank Rand, Mary Anderson, Bert Seaver, Fremont Police Department, Fremont Fire Department, Parks & Recreation, FAA, Boy Scouts, and Girl Scouts.
5. Selectmen reviewed the July Newsletter and approved it for publication with some additional information.
6. Selectmen drafted a letter of recommendation for Robin Lee as she will be moving to a new area at the end of the summer. She will not be returning next year to Fremont's summer program.

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7. On behalf of the Fremont Fire Department, Thom Roy submitted for a homeland grant for First Responder "All Hazards" for the buddy-breath SCBA enhancements. The Police Department had not applied for any of these funds. Selectmen indicated they wanted notice of such applications PRIOR to them being submitted.

8. The Community Services Council of NH has submitted a request for \$1,000 municipal appropriation to NH Help Line. This will be kept with the 2006 budget information with a letter sent to the agency with instruction on how a new agency can be eligible for funding with a warrant article vote.

**OLD BUSINESS CONTINUED**

6. Selectmen discussed at length the Fire / Rescue Informational Study Committee. The Board prepared a letter regarding the Fire / Rescue study committee and mailed it out to potential committee members Brett Hunter, Neal Janvrin, Richard Butler, Kevin Zukas, Joe Delahunty, Andy Kohlhofer, and Bob Larson. An introductory meeting of the study committee is set for 8:00 pm on Thursday June 23, 2005.

**NEXT WEEK**

The next regular Board meeting will be held on Thursday June 23, 2005 at 6:00 pm.

With no further business to come before the Board, motion was made by Bolduc and seconded by Gates to adjourn the meeting at 10:30 pm. The vote was unanimously approved 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Heidi Carlson  
Town Administrator

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